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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

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SUMMARY: Total unemployment in New Hampshire increased by 3,890 from mid-December to mid-January. The latest total of 20,720 unemployed represents 3.8 percent of the civilian labor force of 545,440. The revised December rate of 3.0 percent is based on an annual adjustment by the Bureau of Labor Statistics which reflects changes in population controls, residency factors using 1980 Census data in place of 1970 Census data, and new benchmark employment estimates. Due to the benchmark revisions and new factors, the unemployment methodology used by all states usually results in significant changes between December of one year and January of the next. A year ago the unemployment rate was 4.7 percent. Nationally the rates were 7.3 percent in January, 6.7 percent in December and 8.0 percent a year ago. It should be noted that New Hampshire has tied with Massachusetts for the lowest annual 1985 unemployment rate in the country with 3.9 percent unemployed. This marks the third consecutive year that N.H. has tied for the lowest rate having tied with South Dakota in 1984 with 4.3 percent and in 1983 with 5.4 percent.

In January, all areas except Littleton and Salem experienced increased unemployment. The largest unemployment increase occurred in the Manchester MSA with 1,160 more unemployed. The Littleton LMA had 230 fewer unemployed as skiing and tourism activities began picking up. The Salem area had 160 fewer unemployed as some recalls were made in manufacturing. Unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.4 percent in the Claremont area to a high of 5.6 percent in the town of Pelham. Five areas had rates above the State average, six areas had rates below, and the Nashua area recorded the same rate as the State 3.8 percent. Overall, layoffs occurred in trade establishments after the Christmas business, in construction as colder weather prevailed, and in manufacturing as some firms experienced a lack of orders. Some pickup in employment occurred as ski operations required additional seasonal workers.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 10,400 from December as manufacturing was down 550 and nonmanufacturing 9,850. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 26,900 as manufacturing is down 2,550 while nonmanufacturing is up 29,600. The largest manufacturing loss occurred in electrical products which dropped 2,750 over the year. However, in nonmanufacturing, construction increased 9,000, services 8,000, and trade by 7,800.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, due to federal budget cuts, plans to eliminate seventy five metropolitan areas in the country from the Current Employment Statistics Program effective March 1, 1986. The Manchester MSA will no longer be included in the Bureau's validation series on monthly employment and hours and earnings of production workers. We plan to continue both series using State funds in 1986 to meet the demand for current labor market information at the local level.

ANNUAL BENCHMARK: The revised employment series for Statewide, Manchester, and Nashua for 1984 and 1985 are included in this issue. The latest employment benchmark is March 1985, and the employment for all twelve months of 1984 and three months of 1985 are based on quarterly reports of all employers covered by the Unemployment Compensation Law in New Hampshire and final estimates of noncovered employment. The employment for the period from April 1985 to date is estimated using monthly sample data projected from the March 1985 employment level.

Our nonagricultural employment series in the past has included one half of the employment at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard since half of the workers reside in New Hampshire. The shipyard is actually located in Kittery, Maine. The nonagricultural employment reported to the Bureau of Labor Statistics and published in their monthly publication "Employment and Earnings" did not include the additional employment at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Now the labor market users will have the same employment data as our series will exclude one half of the naval yard employment to make the data comparable and cause less confusion among users. Data beginning with January 1984 shows reduced employment of around 4,200 in federal government, total government, total nonmanufacturing, and total nonagricultural due to this reporting change.

NASHUA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment increased by 610 from December and the unemployment rate increased from December's revised rate of 3.1 percent to 3.8 percent in January. A year ago the rate was 3.5 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 1,200 from December, but is up 1,750 from a year ago. Manufacturing decreased by 1,500 while nonmanufacturing increased 3,250. The largest over the year industrial gain occurred in services with an increase of 1,100 workers. However, on the negative side, machinery and electrical products is down 1,350 from last year.

MANCHESTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment increased by 1,160 and the jobless total of 3,000 represented 3.6 percent of the civilian labor force. The rate in December was 2.2 percent. A year ago the rate was 4.2 percent. Nonagricultural employment numbered 80,650 which was 1,250 less than the December total. The largest employment decreases were in trade and construction with decreases of 550 and 250 respectively.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Month	Year	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Month	Year	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	545,440	554,100	521,490	-8,660	23,950	82,530	83,940	79,290	-1,410	3,240	89,660	91,160	87,540	-1,500	2,120
2. Unemployment	20,720	16,830	24,380	3,890	-3,660	3,000	1,840	3,300	1,160	-300	3,400	2,790	3,030	610	370
Percent of labor force	3.8	3.0	4.7	xxx	xxx	3.6	2.2	4.2	xxx	xxx	3.8	3.1	3.5	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	524,720	537,270	497,110	-12,550	27,610	79,530	82,100	75,990	-2,570	3,540	86,260	88,370	84,510	-2,110	1,750
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	473,050	483,450	446,150	-10,400	26,900	80,650	81,900	77,300	-1,250	3,350	83,700	84,900	81,950	-1,200	1,750
Manufacturing	122,500	123,050	125,200	-550	-2,700	15,050	15,250	15,550	-200	-500	36,700	36,650	38,200	50	-1,500
Durable goods	83,600	83,750	86,150	-150	-2,550	9,250	9,250	9,300	0	-50	30,500	30,550	31,750	-50	-1,250
Lumber & wood prods.	5,800	5,800	5,600	0	200										
Furniture & fixtures	1,750	1,750	1,600	0	150										
Stone & clay prods.	3,100	3,100	2,900	0	200										
Primary metal prods.	4,200	4,300	4,450	-100	-250										
Fabricated metal prods.	7,150	7,200	7,600	-50	-450										
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,700	25,800	25,900	-100	-200										
Electrical prods.	24,550	24,500	27,300	50	-2,750	5,500	5,550	5,900	-50	-400	23,050	23,150	24,400	-100	-1,350
Miscellaneous prods.	2,250	2,300	2,100	-50	150										
Other durables	9,100	9,000	8,700	100	400	3,750	3,700	3,400	50	350	7,450	7,400	7,350	50	100
Nondurable goods	38,900	39,300	39,050	-400	-150	5,800	6,000	6,250	-200	-450	6,200	6,100	6,450	100	-250
Food & kindred prods.	3,200	3,150	3,200	50	0										
Textile mill prods.	3,700	3,700	3,950	0	-250										
Apparel	2,550	2,500	2,500	50	50	1,500	1,500	1,650	0	-150					
Paper & allied prods.	5,600	5,650	5,700	-50	-100										
Print., pub. & allied	7,350	7,200	7,300	150	50										
Leather & lea. prods.	5,600	6,000	5,550	-400	50										
Other nondurables	10,900	11,100	10,850	-200	50	4,300	4,500	4,600	-200	-300					
Nonmanufacturing	350,550	360,400	320,950	-9,850	29,600	65,600	66,650	61,750	-1,050	3,850	47,000	48,250	43,750	-1,250	3,250
Construction (inc. min.)	33,650	35,250	24,650	-1,600	9,000	5,100	5,350	3,950	-250	1,150	3,850	4,000	3,200	-150	650
Trans., comm. & util.	15,350	15,850	15,200	-500	150	4,800	4,900	4,700	-100	100	2,200	2,200	2,000	0	200
Trade	112,300	120,250	104,500	-7,950	7,800	21,700	22,250	20,300	-550	1,400	17,350	18,100	16,750	-750	600
Fin., ins. & real estate	26,100	26,050	24,000	50	2,100	7,150	7,200	6,850	-50	300	2,700	2,700	2,500	0	200
Service industry & other	102,350	101,350	94,350	1,000	8,000	19,200	19,200	18,500	0	700	14,850	15,200	13,750	-350	1,100
Government	60,800	61,650	58,250	-850	2,550	7,650	7,750	7,450	-100	200	6,050	6,050	5,550	0	500
Federal	7,800	7,950	7,400	-150	400	2,300	2,350	2,150	-50	150	750	750	750	0	0
State	16,500	16,950	16,300	-450	200	850	850	850	0	0	250	250	200	0	50
Local	36,500	36,750	34,550	-250	1,950	4,500	4,550	4,450	-50	50	5,050	5,050	4,600	0	450

Machinery And Electrical Products Combined

* By place of residence

** By place of establishment

Benchmark March 1985

Labor Disputes:

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

Area	Unemployment*								Civilian Labor Force				
	January 1986		December 1985		January 1985		Numerical Change From Previous		January	December	January	Numerical Change From Previous	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Month	Year	1986	1985	1985	Month	Year
UNITED STATES**	8,472	7.3	7,717	6.7	9,131	8.0	755	-659	115,431	115,780	113,475	-350	1,956
NEW HAMPSHIRE	20,720	3.8	16,830	2.6	24,380	4.7	3,890	-3,660	545,440	554,100	521,490	-8,660	23,950
BERLIN LMA	1,220	4.8	1,070	4.3	1,210	5.2	150	10	25,200	24,870	23,400	330	1,800
CLAREMONT LMA	890	2.4	770	2.9	1,150	3.2	120	-260	37,560	37,200	35,350	360	2,030
CONCORD LMA	1,500	3.0	990	2.0	1,880	4.0	510	-380	49,580	50,080	46,720	-140	2,860
KEENE LMA	1,160	2.9	920	2.2	1,360	3.6	240	-200	39,850	40,940	37,690	-1,090	2,160
LACONIA LMA	1,690	3.6	1,280	2.6	2,150	4.8	410	-460	47,380	49,210	45,120	-1,830	2,260
LITTLETON LMA	840	4.9	1,070	6.3	1,040	6.5	-230	-200	17,130	17,000	16,090	130	1,040
MANCHESTER MSA	3,000	3.6	1,840	2.2	3,300	4.2	1,160	-300	82,530	83,940	79,290	-1,410	3,240
NASHUA PMSA	3,400	3.8	2,790	3.1	3,030	3.5	610	370	89,660	91,160	87,540	-1,500	2,120
N.H. PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL MA. PMSA***	2,350	5.5	2,510	5.8	2,730	2.7	-160	-380	43,030	43,420	40,970	-390	2,060
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER N.H.-ME.	4,300	3.6	3,230	2.6	6,080	5.3	1,070	-1,780	119,460	123,480	115,000	-4,020	4,460
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREA****	850	5.2	570	3.5	1,050	6.7	280	-200	16,380	16,250	15,570	130	810
N.H. PORTION LOWELL MA. PMSA	260	5.6	240	5.1	220	4.9	20	40	4,640	4,730	4,530	-90	110
County													
BELKNAP	920	3.8	640	2.5	1,180	5.1	280	-260	24,360	25,190	23,220	-830	1,140
CARROLL	460	2.8	400	2.4	680	4.3	60	-220	16,540	16,760	15,670	-220	870
CHESHIRE	1,080	3.0	850	2.3	1,280	3.8	230	-200	35,690	36,650	33,780	-960	1,910
COOS	1,280	6.1	1,240	5.9	1,140	5.9	40	140	21,110	20,860	19,480	250	1,630
GRAFTON	1,240	3.3	1,210	3.2	1,600	4.5	30	-360	37,370	37,420	35,330	-50	2,040
HILLSBOROUGH	6,470	3.8	4,740	2.7	6,420	3.9	1,730	50	171,810	174,600	166,110	-2,790	5,700
MERRIMACK	1,810	3.1	1,290	2.2	2,240	4.0	520	-430	58,570	59,460	55,420	-890	3,150
ROCKINGHAM	4,820	4.5	4,460	4.1	5,550	5.4	360	-730	107,900	109,840	102,860	-1,940	5,040
STRAFFORD	2,110	4.0	1,570	2.9	3,640	7.1	540	-1,530	52,610	54,060	51,200	-1,450	1,410
SULLIVAN	530	2.7	430	2.2	650	3.5	100	-120	19,480	19,260	18,420	220	1,060

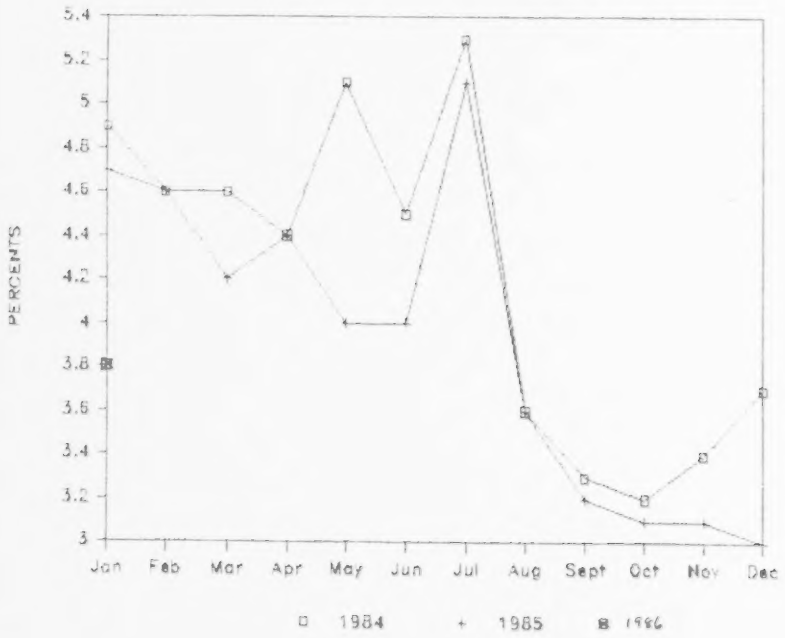
* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA — includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA — is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1986	1985	1984	1983
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current monch - January	324.3			
Percent change from year ago	3.7			
Year average		318.5	307.6	297.4
Percent increase each year		3.5	3.4	3.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - January	328.4			
Percent change from year ago	3.9			
Year average		322.2	311.1	298.4
Percent increase each year		3.6	4.3	3.2

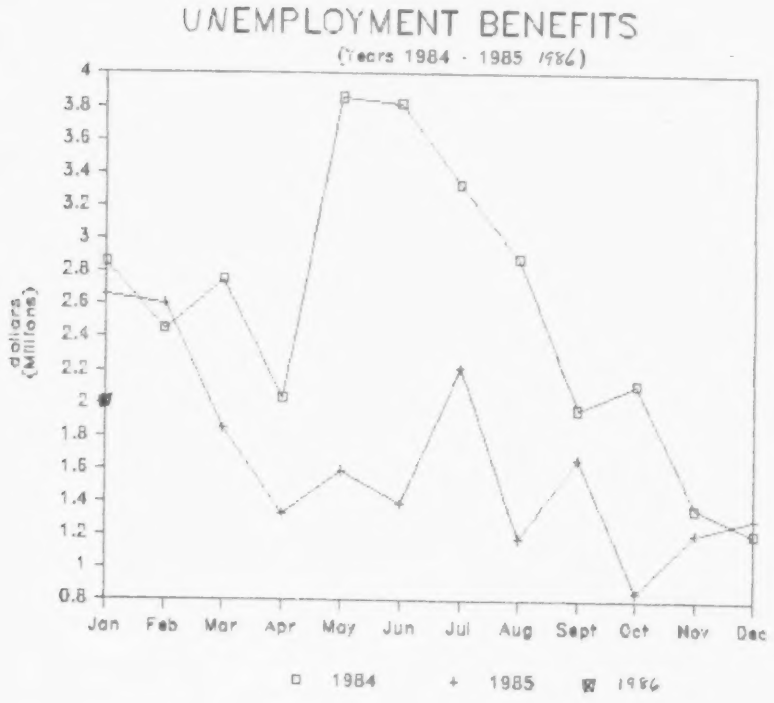
Weekly Claims Filed During January 1986
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	5,489	21,571	16	51	10	34	56	120	25	44
Berlin	186	1,316	0	0	1	2	5	5	3	4
Claremont	156	784	0	1	1	2	0	2	2	4
Concord	346	1,699	3	2	1	1	6	4	1	3
Conway	75	283	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	2
Dover	1,460	3,410	3	12	0	10	16	32	5	10
Keene	208	991	1	6	2	11	4	11	1	1
Laconia	312	1,736	1	13	1	2	8	5	0	0
Lebanon	75	317	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	6
Littleton	417	1,616	0	0	2	1	1	18	1	0
Manchester	776	2,843	1	0	0	0	4	2	3	4
Nashua	614	2,880	1	6	0	0	5	6	1	1
Portsmouth	384	1,646	2	2	1	5	3	22	5	6
Salem	176	573	0	3	1	0	3	3	0	0
Liable Interstate	304	1,477	3	6	0	0	0	4	1	3

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $111.14

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$118,585,867.12



Net contributions received during month:

$ 2,789,321.76

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 2,007,639.43

Interest Received:

$ 0

AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
All manufacturing	$353.50	$360.26	$333.33	41.2	41.6	41.0	$8.58	$8.66	$8.13
Durable goods	367.28	375.16	344.86	41.5	42.2	41.4	8.85	8.89	8.33
Lumber & wood prods.	257.66	262.58	260.25	38.4	38.9	40.1	6.71	6.75	6.49
Furniture & fixtures	274.86	293.94	278.24	40.6	42.6	40.5	6.77	6.90	6.87
Stone & clay prods.	356.01	353.03	341.64	43.1	43.0	43.3	8.26	8.21	7.89
Primary metal prods.	370.80	385.93	355.31	40.0	41.1	42.4	9.27	9.39	8.38
Fab. metal prods.	345.61	353.64	303.00	40.9	42.0	40.4	8.45	8.42	7.50
Mach. (exc. elec.)	402.24	416.76	383.66	44.3	45.3	44.2	9.08	9.20	8.68
Electrical prods.	392.35	392.35	355.41	40.7	40.7	39.8	9.64	9.64	8.93
Miscellaneous prods.	281.00	271.21	261.60	39.3	38.8	40.0	7.15	6.99	6.54
Other durables	373.68	389.85	358.48	41.2	42.7	41.3	9.07	9.13	8.68
Nondurable goods	328.86	332.92	309.57	40.7	40.6	40.1	8.08	8.20	7.72
Food & kindred prods.	378.65	393.41	359.45	39.9	39.9	39.5	9.49	9.86	9.10
Textile mill prods.	297.65	295.82	278.24	42.1	41.2	40.5	7.07	7.18	6.87
Apparel	220.44	212.65	204.60	37.3	36.6	37.2	5.91	5.81	5.50
Paper & allied prods.	436.05	467.48	430.11	45.9	48.9	46.1	9.50	9.56	9.33
Print., pub. & allied	348.39	365.65	305.73	39.5	40.9	38.7	8.82	8.94	7.90
Leather & lea. prods.	189.41	198.92	189.21	34.5	36.3	35.3	5.49	5.48	5.36
Footwear	176.25	186.19	176.46	33.7	35.6	34.6	5.23	5.23	5.10
Other nondurables	373.25	360.19	341.55	43.1	40.2	41.2	8.66	8.96	8.29

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 54%

Total Production Workers: 84,200

Firms Reporting: 351

Manchester MSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
All manufacturing	$344.11	$351.02	$314.42	40.2	41.2	39.8	$8.56	$8.52	$7.90
Durable goods	354.49	370.31	339.29	39.3	41.1	40.2	9.02	9.01	8.44
Mach. & elec. prods.	366.62	388.31	345.14	40.2	42.3	40.7	9.12	9.18	8.48
Other durables	339.60	346.42	332.24	38.2	39.5	39.6	8.89	8.77	8.39
Nondurable goods	326.56	321.68	278.24	41.6	41.4	39.3	7.85	7.77	7.08
Textiles & apparel	280.67	277.78	255.03	40.5	40.2	38.7	6.93	6.91	6.59
Other nondurables	343.54	336.49	286.38	42.1	41.8	39.5	8.16	8.05	7.25

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 58%

Total Production Workers: 11,050

Firms Reporting: 41

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
All manufacturing	$422.10	$427.84	$393.71	41.1	41.7	41.4	$10.27	$10.26	$9.51
Durable goods	431.39	435.08	397.16	41.4	42.2	41.5	10.42	10.31	9.57
Mach. & elec. prods.	469.37	461.90	425.60	41.5	41.5	41.2	11.31	11.13	10.33
Other durables	344.02	372.27	326.90	41.2	43.9	42.4	8.35	8.48	7.71
Nondurable goods	387.93	398.59	377.92	40.2	39.7	40.9	9.65	10.04	9.24

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 62%

Total Production Workers: 20,550

Firms Reporting: 74

Revised to March 1985 Benchmark.

NEW HAMPSHIRE 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	446,150	444,050	447,700	453,900	460,950	471,550	470,850	478,100	479,200	479,400	480,400	483,450	466,300
MANUFACTURING	125,200	123,900	124,000	123,250	122,950	123,800	119,800	122,900	122,400	122,250	122,900	123,050	123,050
DURABLE GOODS	85,150	85,200	85,400	84,450	84,350	84,800	82,550	83,900	83,150	83,150	83,600	83,750	84,200
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	5,600	5,550	5,600	5,550	5,700	5,900	5,800	6,000	5,800	5,700	5,800	5,800	5,750
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	1,600	1,550	1,600	1,600	1,550	1,500	1,350	1,550	1,600	1,650	1,700	1,750	1,600
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	2,900	2,900	2,900	3,000	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,000
PRIMARY METAL PRODS.	4,450	4,350	4,400	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,200	4,300	4,300	4,250	4,250	4,300	4,300
FABRICATED METAL	7,600	7,450	7,400	7,150	7,150	7,250	7,150	7,050	7,150	7,150	7,200	7,200	7,250
MACHINERY	25,900	25,850	26,200	25,900	25,850	25,900	25,450	25,750	25,550	25,500	25,800	25,800	25,800
ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS	27,300	26,750	26,450	26,100	25,900	25,900	24,750	25,200	24,650	24,650	24,500	24,500	25,550
MISCELLANEOUS PRODS.	2,100	2,100	2,150	2,200	2,200	2,250	2,200	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,200
OTHER DURABLES	8,700	8,700	8,700	8,650	8,650	8,750	8,600	8,700	8,750	8,850	8,950	9,000	8,750
NONDURABLE GOODS	39,050	38,700	38,600	38,800	38,600	39,000	37,250	39,000	39,250	39,100	39,300	39,300	38,850
FOOD	3,200	3,050	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,100	3,050	3,150	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,150	3,100
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	3,950	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,650	3,700	3,250	3,700	3,700	3,650	3,700	3,700	3,700
APPAREL	2,500	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,500	2,550	2,350	2,600	2,600	2,550	2,500	2,500	2,500
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	5,700	5,650	5,650	5,650	5,600	5,700	5,600	5,650	5,600	5,500	5,550	5,650	5,650
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	7,300	7,300	7,250	7,350	7,300	7,300	7,250	7,250	7,250	7,250	7,300	7,250	7,250
LEATHER PRODUCTS	5,550	5,400	5,400	5,300	5,600	5,700	5,250	5,750	5,800	5,950	6,100	6,000	5,650
OTHER NONDURABLES	10,850	10,950	10,950	11,150	10,950	10,950	10,500	10,900	11,200	11,100	11,050	11,050	11,000
NONMANUFACTURING	320,950	320,150	323,700	330,650	328,000	347,750	351,050	355,200	356,800	357,150	357,500	360,400	343,250
MINING	300	300	350	450	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	400	450
CONSTRUCTION	24,350	23,800	24,800	27,900	30,400	32,450	33,950	35,250	36,050	36,100	35,300	34,850	31,250
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	15,200	15,300	15,250	15,300	15,550	15,950	15,500	15,600	16,100	15,800	15,800	15,850	15,600
TRADE	104,500	103,550	104,950	107,900	110,450	114,000	116,700	117,850	117,250	117,200	118,250	120,250	112,750
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	24,000	24,100	24,300	24,750	25,050	25,600	25,850	25,800	25,800	25,550	25,700	26,050	25,200
SERVICES & OTHER	94,350	94,000	94,600	94,750	96,450	100,350	104,050	105,650	102,900	102,100	100,500	101,350	99,250
GOVERNMENT	58,250	59,100	59,450	59,600	59,600	58,900	54,500	54,550	58,200	59,900	61,450	61,650	58,750
FEDERAL	7,400	7,450	7,450	7,650	7,500	7,700	7,750	7,750	7,700	7,800	7,800	7,950	7,650
STATE	16,300	16,700	16,700	16,650	16,750	15,700	15,600	15,600	16,400	16,850	17,100	16,950	16,450
LOCAL	34,550	34,950	35,300	35,300	35,350	35,500	31,150	31,200	34,100	35,250	36,550	36,750	34,650
'Workers on strike not included							50	300 Machinery	50	50 Trade			

Based on March 1985 Benchmark

NEW HAMPSHIRE 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	420,300	420,700	424,400	431,800	434,650	446,400	448,200	454,450	453,950	452,750	453,250	458,100	441,500
MANUFACTURING	118,500	119,900	120,600	121,700	123,100	125,100	122,550	125,400	125,850	125,550	125,800	126,100	123,350
DURABLE GOODS	78,300	79,200	79,850	80,900	81,850	83,400	83,000	84,650	84,650	84,750	85,200	85,850	82,650
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	5,050	5,050	5,100	5,100	5,200	5,400	5,350	5,600	5,500	5,700	5,650	5,650	5,350
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	1,300	1,400	1,450	1,400	1,450	1,450	1,300	1,400	1,500	1,450	1,500	1,550	1,450
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	2,600	2,650	2,650	2,800	2,850	2,950	2,950	3,000	2,950	3,000	2,950	2,950	2,850
PRIMARY METAL PRODS.	4,300	4,300	4,400	4,400	4,450	4,550	4,500	4,550	4,350	4,400	4,450	4,450	4,450
FABRICATED METAL	7,350	7,400	7,300	7,250	7,250	7,300	7,200	7,300	7,400	7,300	7,400	7,450	7,300
MACHINERY	22,800	23,100	23,350	23,650	23,950	24,250	24,050	24,400	24,600	24,750	25,100	25,500	24,150
ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS	24,800	25,250	25,500	26,100	26,400	27,050	27,350	27,950	27,900	27,600	27,500	27,450	26,750
MISCELLANEOUS PRODS.	1,950	1,950	2,000	2,000	2,050	2,050	2,000	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,150	2,200	2,050
OTHER DURABLES	8,150	8,100	8,100	8,200	8,250	8,400	8,300	8,350	8,350	8,450	8,500	8,650	8,300
NONDURABLE GOODS	40,200	40,700	40,750	40,800	41,250	41,700	39,550	40,750	41,200	40,800	40,600	40,250	40,700
FOOD	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,800	2,900	2,950	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,050	3,100	3,050	3,000
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	4,100	4,150	4,150	4,300	4,300	4,250	3,950	4,200	4,150	4,050	4,050	4,100	4,150
APPAREL	2,800	2,800	2,850	2,850	2,750	2,750	2,400	2,600	2,550	2,600	2,550	2,500	2,650
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	5,400	5,350	5,400	5,700	5,700	5,800	5,700	5,700	5,650	5,650	5,550	5,600	5,600
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	6,600	6,550	6,550	6,700	6,900	6,850	6,750	6,950	7,000	7,200	7,150	7,100	6,850
LEATHER PRODUCTS	7,900	8,300	8,250	7,650	7,700	7,850	7,050	7,350	7,200	6,700	6,600	6,350	7,400
OTHER NONDURABLES	10,500	10,650	10,650	10,800	11,000	11,250	10,600	10,850	11,550	11,550	11,600	11,550	11,050
NONMANUFACTURING	301,800	300,800	303,800	310,100	311,550	321,300	325,650	329,050	328,100	327,200	327,450	332,000	318,150
MINING	300	300	300	400	400	450	450	450	450	450	450	400	400
CONSTRUCTION	24,250	23,900	24,600	26,150	23,000	24,250	25,350	26,450	26,250	26,350	26,250	26,800	25,200
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	15,200	15,200	15,350	15,600	15,500	15,900	15,500	15,600	15,950	15,650	15,650	15,700	15,550
TRADE	96,250	95,100	96,350	99,700	102,350	107,000	109,400	110,600	109,500	108,200	109,200	111,750	104,600
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	22,550	22,500	22,650	22,900	23,100	23,650	23,900	23,950	23,800	23,650	23,700	24,050	23,400
SERVICES & OTHER	86,000	85,900	86,350	87,300	89,000	92,850	97,850	98,700	95,000	94,200	92,050	93,000	91,500
GOVERNMENT	57,250	57,900	58,200	58,050	58,200	57,200	53,200	53,300	57,150	58,700	60,150	60,300	57,500
FEDERAL	7,150	7,200	7,200	7,250	7,300	7,400	7,350	7,400	7,350	7,400	7,500	7,600	7,350
STATE	16,150	16,200	16,300	16,400	16,200	15,500	15,500	15,450	16,250	16,800	16,900	16,750	16,200
LOCAL	33,950	34,500	34,700	34,400	34,700	34,300	30,350	30,450	33,550	34,500	35,750	35,950	33,950

Worker on strike not included

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Electrical

Based on March 1985 Benchmark

MANCHESTER NEW HAMPSHIRE 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	77,300	76,700	77,150	78,750	79,200	80,100	79,300	80,300	80,450	81,000	81,350	81,900	79,450
MANUFACTURING	15,550	15,300	15,300	15,500	15,550	15,500	14,950	15,500	15,450	15,450	15,350	15,250	15,400
DURABLE GOODS	9,300	9,200	9,100	9,150	9,200	9,200	8,900	9,300	9,250	9,300	9,250	9,250	9,200
MACHINERY & ELECT. PRODS.	5,900	5,850	5,800	5,850	5,850	5,800	5,450	5,750	5,650	5,700	5,550	5,550	5,700
OTHER DURABLES	3,400	3,350	3,300	3,300	3,350	3,400	3,450	3,550	3,600	3,600	3,700	3,700	3,500
NONDURABLE GOODS	6,250	6,150	6,200	6,350	6,350	6,300	6,050	6,200	6,200	6,150	6,100	6,000	6,200
TEXTILES & APPAREL	1,650	1,650	1,750	1,750	1,700	1,700	1,450	1,600	1,600	1,550	1,550	1,500	1,600
OTHER NONDURABLES	4,600	4,500	4,450	4,600	4,650	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,600	4,550	4,500	4,600
NONMANUFACTURING	61,750	61,400	61,850	63,250	63,650	64,600	64,350	64,800	65,000	65,550	66,000	66,650	64,050
MINING	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
CONSTRUCTION	3,900	3,800	3,900	4,250	4,550	4,800	5,050	5,200	5,300	5,300	5,300	5,300	4,700
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	4,700	4,700	4,650	4,600	4,650	4,750	4,800	4,850	4,800	4,850	4,900	4,900	4,750
TRADE	20,300	20,050	20,250	20,850	20,950	21,250	21,300	21,200	21,200	21,400	21,700	22,250	21,050
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	6,850	6,900	6,900	6,950	6,950	7,100	7,150	7,250	7,150	7,150	7,150	7,200	7,050
SERVICES & OTHER	18,500	18,450	18,650	18,850	18,900	19,000	18,700	18,950	19,050	19,200	19,200	19,200	18,900
GOVERNMENT	7,450	7,450	7,450	7,700	7,600	7,650	7,300	7,300	7,450	7,600	7,700	7,750	7,550
FEDERAL	2,150	2,150	2,200	2,300	2,200	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,150	2,250	2,300	2,350	2,250
STATE	850	850	800	850	850	850	850	850	800	800	800	850	850
LOCAL	4,450	4,450	4,450	4,550	4,550	4,550	4,200	4,200	4,500	4,550	4,600	4,550	4,450

Workers on strike not included

Based on March 1985 Benchmark

MANCHESTER NEW HAMPSHIRE 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	73,800	73,350	73,700	75,000	75,500	76,700	75,700	76,450	77,200	77,300	78,350	79,250	76,050
MANUFACTURING	15,000	15,200	15,200	15,550	15,600	15,950	15,450	15,900	15,850	15,650	15,550	15,500	15,550
DURABLE GOODS	8,500	8,550	8,600	8,750	8,850	9,100	8,950	9,200	9,250	9,250	9,150	9,200	8,950
MACHINERY & ELECT. PRODS.	5,350	5,400	5,400	5,600	5,600	5,700	5,600	5,800	5,950	5,900	5,800	5,850	5,650
OTHER DURABLES	3,150	3,150	3,200	3,150	3,250	3,400	3,350	3,400	3,300	3,350	3,350	3,350	3,300
NONDURABLE GOODS	6,500	6,650	6,600	6,750	6,750	6,850	6,500	6,700	6,600	6,400	6,400	6,300	6,600
TEXTILES & APPAREL	2,000	2,000	1,950	2,100	2,050	2,050	1,900	1,950	1,900	1,750	1,750	1,700	1,950
OTHER NONDURABLES	4,500	4,650	4,650	4,650	4,700	4,800	4,600	4,750	4,700	4,650	4,650	4,600	4,650
NONMANUFACTURING	58,800	58,150	58,500	59,500	59,900	60,750	60,250	60,550	61,350	61,650	62,800	63,750	60,500
MINING	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
CONSTRUCTION	3,050	3,000	3,100	3,400	3,650	3,950	4,050	4,200	4,250	4,000	4,050	3,950	3,700
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	5,150	5,200	5,200	5,250	5,200	5,300	5,150	5,200	5,150	5,150	5,200	5,200	5,200
TRADE	19,400	18,850	18,900	19,500	19,600	19,850	19,800	19,750	20,050	20,200	21,000	21,850	19,900
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	6,250	6,250	6,300	6,400	6,400	6,550	6,750	6,750	6,700	6,750	6,750	6,800	6,550
SERVICES & OTHER	17,400	17,350	17,450	17,550	17,650	17,650	17,550	17,650	17,800	17,950	18,000	18,200	17,700
GOVERNMENT	7,500	7,450	7,500	7,350	7,350	7,400	6,900	6,950	7,350	7,550	7,750	7,700	7,400
FEDERAL	2,100	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,150	2,200	2,200	2,300	2,150
STATE	850	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	850	800	800	850	800
LOCAL	4,550	4,500	4,550	4,400	4,400	4,450	3,950	4,000	4,350	4,550	4,750	4,550	4,450

Workers on strike not included

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Machinery

Based on March 1985 Benchmark

NASHUA NEW HAMPSHIRE 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	81,950	81,650	82,300	82,900	83,500	84,850	83,350	83,850	83,200	83,950	84,350	84,900	83,400
MANUFACTURING	38,200	37,950	37,900	37,400	37,400	37,750	36,900	37,200	36,250	36,000	36,350	36,650	37,150
DURABLE GOODS	31,750	31,500	31,500	31,050	31,050	31,350	30,800	30,900	30,000	29,900	30,300	30,550	30,900
MACHINERY & ELECT. PRODS.	24,400	24,150	24,000	23,650	23,550	23,700	23,250	23,400	22,650	22,550	22,950	23,150	23,450
OTHER DURABLES	7,350	7,350	7,500	7,400	7,500	7,650	7,550	7,500	7,350	7,350	7,350	7,400	7,450
NONDURABLE GOODS	6,450	6,450	6,400	6,350	6,350	6,400	6,100	6,300	6,250	6,100	6,050	6,200	6,250
NONMANUFACTURING	43,750	43,700	44,400	45,500	46,100	47,100	46,450	46,650	46,950	47,950	48,000	48,250	46,250
MINING	100	100	100	100	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	100
CONSTRUCTION	3,100	3,100	3,200	3,550	3,800	3,950	4,000	3,950	3,850	3,850	3,850	3,850	3,700
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,100	2,050	2,100	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,100
TRADE	16,750	16,650	16,800	16,950	17,050	17,350	17,300	17,300	17,250	17,650	18,000	18,100	17,250
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	2,500	2,500	2,550	2,600	2,650	2,700	2,700	2,750	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,650
SERVICES & OTHER	13,750	13,750	14,150	14,550	14,750	15,100	15,050	15,300	15,150	15,600	15,200	15,200	14,800
GOVERNMENT	5,550	5,600	5,600	5,650	5,650	5,750	5,250	5,200	5,650	5,800	5,900	6,050	5,650
FEDERAL	750	750	750	800	750	800	750	750	750	750	750	750	800
STATE	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	250	250	250	200
LOCAL	4,600	4,650	4,650	4,650	4,700	4,750	4,300	4,250	4,700	4,800	4,900	5,050	4,650

Workers on strike not included

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NASHUA NEW HAMPSHIRE 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURE	74,900	75,500	76,400	78,150	79,450	81,300	80,450	81,250	81,700	82,650	82,950	83,900	79,850
MANUFACTURING	35,050	35,300	35,650	36,200	36,650	37,600	37,700	38,100	37,950	37,750	37,900	38,250	37,000
DURABLE GOODS	28,850	29,150	29,450	29,900	30,250	31,100	31,350	31,700	31,600	31,250	31,500	31,850	30,650
MACHINERY & ELECT. PRODS.	21,700	22,050	22,250	22,800	23,050	23,750	24,100	24,400	24,250	24,000	24,100	24,350	23,400
OTHER DURABLES	7,150	7,100	7,200	7,100	7,200	7,350	7,250	7,300	7,350	7,250	7,400	7,500	7,250
NONDURABLE GOODS	6,200	6,150	6,200	6,300	6,400	6,500	6,350	6,400	6,350	6,500	6,400	6,400	6,350
NONMANUFACTURING	39,850	40,200	40,750	41,950	42,800	43,700	42,750	43,150	43,750	44,900	45,050	45,650	42,850
MINING	100	100	100	100	100	150	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
CONSTRUCTION	2,650	2,600	2,600	3,050	3,250	3,400	3,550	3,650	3,600	3,500	3,450	3,400	3,250
TRANS., COMM. & UTIL.	2,100	2,100	2,150	2,150	2,200	2,200	2,150	2,200	2,300	2,200	2,250	2,250	2,200
TRADE	14,800	14,900	15,150	15,700	15,900	16,250	15,900	16,000	16,050	16,950	17,200	17,650	16,050
FIN. INS. & REAL ESTATE	2,350	2,350	2,400	2,400	2,450	2,550	2,500	2,550	2,550	2,500	2,450	2,600	2,450
SERVICES & OTHER	12,350	12,500	12,750	13,050	13,250	13,850	13,750	13,850	13,700	14,100	13,850	14,000	13,400
GOVERNMENT	5,500	5,650	5,600	5,500	5,650	5,300	4,800	4,800	5,450	5,550	5,750	5,650	5,400
FEDERAL	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	750	750	750	750	700
STATE	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
LOCAL	4,600	4,750	4,700	4,600	4,750	4,400	3,900	3,900	4,500	4,600	4,800	4,700	4,500

Workers on strike not included

Based on March 1985 Benchmark

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category
Period Ending January 1986

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	11,618	4,980	1,926	885	1,413	619
Prof., Tech.						
Managerial (00-19)	1,683	581	243	79	279	98
Clerical (20-24)	2,040	1,664	366	292	265	224
Sales (25-29)	607	307	124	56	69	35
Services (3)	1,737	1,016	305	177	206	122
Farm (4)	150	22	12	0	14	3
Processing (5)	189	49	28	6	27	9
Machine Trade (6)	1,011	330	135	66	91	28
Benchwork (7)	1,061	707	227	138	96	71
Structural (8)	1,879	89	236	18	256	16
Miscellaneous (9)	1,216	197	247	51	109	12
Unclassified	45	18	3	2	1	1

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	January 1986	December 1985	July 1, 1985 to January 31, 1986
Total applicants for employment	1,189	2,482	11,618
Total nonagricultural job openings received	1,852	1,989	17,933
Job openings unfilled end of month	1,318	1,501	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	892	1,012	9,447